

Ladies and Gentlemen of the Commission

In the matter of 02-98, an NPRM to consider the creation of new Amateur Radio allocations in the LF spectrum and the 5.25-5.400MHz band, I wish to offer my comments fully supporting the creation of these allocations.

In the matter of the LF allocations, I ask that the FCC permit all Amateur classes to operate except for the no-code technician, and that a maximum power out of 100 watts be permitted.

In the matter of the 5.25 to 5.400MHz allocation, I ask that the FCC grant the allocation and further suggest that the following conditions be implemented:

- (1) All Amateur licensees with 5WPM morse code element credit be permitted to Operate here.
- (2) That the FCC restrict the portion of the band from 5.25 to 5.300 MHz to digital/data/CW modes only.
- (3) That all classes be limited to a maximum of 250 watts except for stations in Alaska and Hawaii, which I would suggest a maximum of 1500 watts only when making contacts with CONUS (Continental United States). All intrastate communications should observe the 250 watt limit. If the FCC intends to allow this allocation to be used by U. S. Amateurs in the Western Pacific islands, I would make the same considerations for them.

I have requested that "all classes" except for non-code tested Amateurs be allowed as this band will provide an excellent place for the further development of emergency communications, and as such, all classes of Amateur should have access here.

I have further requested the power limits that I have in order to reduce potential interference to non-U. S. users of this band, and to allow for greater occupancy by U.S. Amateurs as a result of reduced interference inherent with the use of power amplifiers.

Thank you for this opportunity to address the Commission.

Respectfully submitted,

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